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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JULY 5, 2000

APPLICATION OF

PEPCO ENERGY SERVICES

CASE NO. PUE000344

For a license to provide
electricity and natural gas
services in interim retail
access pilot programs

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR
MODIFICATION OF NOTICE REQUIREMENT

On July 5, 2000, Pepco Energy Services ("Pepco" or "the Company") filed a request for the Commission to amend its June 23, 2000, Order for Notice and Comment. Specifically, Pepco states that it would be burdensome to comply with the Order's provision for notice to be made to the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of any county and upon the Mayor or Manager of any county, city, or town lying within the geographic areas approved by the Commission for each pilot program in which Pepco seeks to participate. Alternatively, Pepco proposes to have notice of its filing published in six newspapers in Virginia strategically located to provide notice in all geographic areas where the pilot programs will be taking place. These newspapers are: the Richmond Times-Dispatch, the Bristol Herald Courier, The Virginian-Pilot, the Harrisonburg Daily News Record, The

Roanoke Times, and the Journal Newspapers. Pepco represents that the Commission Staff does not oppose use of this alternative notice procedure.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION, we find that this alternative notice procedure is acceptable. Since notice has not yet been published, we will adjust certain procedural deadlines to accommodate such publication. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) On or before July 13, 2000, Pepco shall complete publication of the following notice to be published on one (1) occasion as classified advertising in the six aforementioned newspapers:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION
BY PEPCO ENERGY SERVICES FOR A LICENSE TO
PROVIDE ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS SERVICES
IN INTERIM RETAIL ACCESS PILOT PROGRAMS
CASE NO. PUE000344

On June 19, 2000, Pepco Energy Services ("Pepco" or "Applicant") filed an application with the State Corporation Commission for a license to provide electricity and natural gas services as a competitive service provider and aggregator in the interim retail access pilot programs of Virginia Electric and Power Company, American Electric Power - Virginia, Washington Gas Light Company, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., and, if approved by the Commission, the pilot program of Rappahannock Electric Cooperative.

Copies of Pepco's application are available for public inspection between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond,

Virginia 23218, or can be ordered from Mark S. Kumm, Vice President, Pepco Energy Services, 2000 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, D.C. 20006.

Any person desiring to comment in writing on Pepco's application may do so by directing an original and five (5) copies of such comments on or before July 19, 2000, to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, and should refer to Case No. PUE000344. A copy of such comments simultaneously shall be sent to Adam Chmara, Esquire, Pepco Energy Services, 2000 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, D.C. 20006.

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(2) The deadline for the filing of any comments on Pepco's application shall be July 19, 2000.

(3) The deadline for the filing of the Staff Memorandum shall be July 21, 2000.

(4) On or before July 19, 2000, Pepco shall file with the Clerk of the Commission proof of publication of the notice required in Ordering Paragraph (1) above.

(5) This matter is continued generally.